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SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN FRASER HEARINGS: PHILIPPINE PRESS

COVERAGE

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FOLLOWING IS PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE REQUEST PARA 2 REFTEL FOR "FULL DESCRIPTION" OF MANILA PRESS COVERAGE OF FRASER HEARINGS AND WHETHER CRITICAL CONTENT OF WITNESSES STATEMENTS ARE MENTIONED.

1. BULLETIN OF JUNE 19 CARRIED SMALL STORY ON INSIDE PAGES HEADED "FORMER ENVOY APPEARS BEFORE U.S. HOUSE BODY". STORY STATES THAT AMBASSADOR MUTUC APPEARED BEFORE HOUSE SUB-COMMITTEE LOOKING INTO HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE PHILIPPINES. STORY NOTES CONGRESSIONAL BODY IS HEADED BY REPRESENTATIVE DONALD FRASER, HEARINGS STARTED JUNE 3 AND WITNESSES HEARD WERE MANGAL-PUS, MORRIS, ALVAREZ AND FRS. WILSON, O'HARE AND HICKS WHO ADVOCATED THE TERMINATION OF U.S. AID TO THE PHILIPPINES. BULLETIN STORY CONCLUDES THAT MUTUC CANCELLED VISIT TO DALLAS TO APPEAR BEFORE FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE.

2. TIMES JOURNAL ACCOUNT OF STORY JUNE 19 NOTED THAT AMBASSADOR MUTUC, A "SELF-STYLED VITRIOLIC CRITIC" OF MARCOS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VOICED ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT FOR MARCOS' EXPERIMENT IN CONSTITU-

TIONAL AUTHORITARIANISM. REST OF STORY IS DEVOTED TO  
MUTUC'S POSITIVE STATEMENTS ON MARTIAL LAW.

3. ON JUNE 21 BULLETIN RAN FRONT-PAGE STORY HEADLINED  
"U.S. CONGRESS CAUTIONED ON HALTING RP AID." THRUST OF  
STORY IS THAT AMBASSADOR MUTUC CAUTIONED U.S. TO "EXERCISE  
CARE AND PRUDENCE IN ACTING ON AGITATIONS BY ANTI-MARCOS  
ELEMENTS TO STOP ALL AID TO THE PHILIPPINES." STORY NOTES  
THAT MUTUC APPEARED AT HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE HEARING CHAIRED  
BY FRASER WHO HAS BEEN LOOKING INTO STATUS OF HUMAN RIGHTS  
IN THE PHILIPPINES. MUTUC ANSWERED CLAIMS OF  
FILIPINO-AMERICAN GROUP CLAIMING HUMAN RIGHTS WERE BEING  
REPRESSSED BY THE MARTIAL LAW ADMINISTRATION SAYING SUCH  
CASES ARE ISOLATED AND SUPREME COURT WAS READY TO PROTECT  
RIGHTS OF CITIZENRY AND PREVENT ABUSE OF POWER. REMAINDER  
OF STORY CONTAINS EXCERPTS FROM MUTUC'S TESTIMONY. STORY  
ADDS THAT "ONE TIME MANILA NEWSPAPERMAN PRIMITIVO JIJARES  
AND GERALD HILL, A LAWYER FOR THE LOPEZES, ALSO TESTIFIED  
ARTICLE CONCLUDES WITH LIST OF ALL NAMES OF ALL WITNESSES  
WHO APPEARED BEFORE COMMITTEE. WE ARE SUPPLYING FULL TEXT  
OF BULLETING GUNE 21 STORY SEPTEL.

4. ONLY OTHER MENTION OF FRASER HEARINGS WAS IN DOROY  
VALENCIA'S JUNE 22 COLUMN. HE WROTE: BEGIN TEXT: THE  
FORD ADMINISTRATION IS ASKING FOR \$32 MILLION AID TO THE  
PHILIPPINES. FILIPINO "REBELS" IN THE USA HAVE APPEARED  
BEFORE THE U.S. CONGRESS TO ASK THAT AID TO THE PHILIPPINES  
BE STOPPED. THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT SENT ANYBODY  
TO REFUTE THE FILIPINO "REBELS." WHY SHOULD WE? THE USA  
CAN HELP US IF THEY FEEL LIKE IT. IT IS IN THEIR INTEREST  
TO KEEP THEIR INFLUENCE IN ASIA FELT. THE FILIPINO CIA  
"REBELS" IN THE USA WANT THE AID TO BE GIVEN TO THEM--THAT  
WAY, THEY DON'T HAVE TO WORK FOR A LIVING. OUT THERE IN THE  
PHILIPPINES, THE AMERICAN "TRIAL" OF THE PHILIPPINES AS A  
PRE-CONDITION TO AID IS NEGATING WHATEVER GOOD THAT AID CAN  
DO. THIS IS AMERICAN-STYLE GIVING. THEY GIVE YOU BUT THEY  
MAKE SURE YOU FEEL BAD ABOUT IT. END TEXT.  
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